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An English translation of
PCT Article 34 Amendment

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Attached hereto is an English translation of the claims amended according to PCT Article 34.

IN THE CLAIMS

- (I) Claims 1, 12, and 18 to 20 were amended.
- (II) Claims 2, 4, and 14 are cancelled.

CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Amended) An antiaging composition comprising the following components (A) and (B):

5 (A) at least one member selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof; and

10 (B) at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof.

Claim 2. (Cancelled)

15 Claim 3. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof.

Claim 4. (cancelled)

20 Claim 5. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

Claim 6. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof
25 and the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

Claim 7. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is contained in a proportion of 0.05 to 10% (w/w) based on the total amount of the antiaging composition.

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Claim 8. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is contained in a proportion of 0.05 to 10% (w/w) based on the total amount of the antiaging composition.

Claim 9. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is contained in a proportion of 0.5 to 1000 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

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Claim 10. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is a cosmetic, or an externally-applied medical or quasi-medical drug.

10 Claim 11. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is used as a composition for alleviating pigmentation.

Claim 12. (Amended) A method for potentiating an antiaging action of ascorbic acid, a derivative of ascorbic acid, or a salt thereof, 15 the method comprising using at least one member selected from the group (A) consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, in combination with at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group (B) consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, 20 adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof.

Claim 13. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof.

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Claim 14. (cancelled)

Claim 15. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

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Claim 16. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof, and the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

35 Claim 17. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein

the component (B) is used, in combination with the component (A), in a proportion of 0.5 to 1000 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

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Claim 18. (Amended) A method for retarding skin-aging comprising applying to the skin at least one member selected from the group (A) consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, and 10 at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group (B) consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof.

15 Claim 19. Use of at least one member selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, and at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 20 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof for the manufacture of an antiaging composition.

Claim 20. (Amended) Use of at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof for potentiating an antiaging action of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof.

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